and

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Cancelled).
- 2. (Currently Amended) The A method for forming a semiconductor device with increased latch-up immunity, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a semiconductor substrate;

forming a non-dopant region having a non-dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate; and

forming a dopant region having a dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate,
wherein said non-dopant region is within the dopant region and said non-dopant edge is
aligned in spaced relation away from the dopant edge; and

wherein the step of forming a non-dopant region comprises the steps of:
forming a hybrid photoresist layer on the semiconductor substrate;
patterning the hybrid photoresist layer to form a first opening having a first edge;

forming said non-dopant region in the semiconductor substrate through the first opening, said non-dopant edge aligned in spaced relation away from the first edge.

3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the step of forming a dopant region

comprises the steps of:

removing a first portion of the hybrid photoresist layer to form a second opening in the hybrid photoresist layer, wherein a second portion of the hybrid photoresist layer including the first edge remains on the semiconductor substrate; and

forming the dopant region through the second opening, the dopant edge aligned with the first edge.

- 4. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the step of patterning the hybrid photoresist layer to form the first opening comprises exposing the hybrid photoresist through a mask containing a plurality of shapes and developing the hybrid photoresist such that portions of the hybrid photoresist which were exposed to intermediate amounts of exposure are removed.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein the step of removing a first portion of the hybrid photoresist layer to form a second opening in the hybrid photoresist layer comprises blanket exposing and developing the hybrid photoresist.
- 6. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the step of forming a non-dopant region comprises angle ion implanting using the first edge as a shadow to form said non-dopant edge in spaced relation away from the first edge.

- 7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the angle ion implanting occurs at an angle from about 86 degrees to about 89 degrees from the semiconductor substrate.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The A method of claim 1, for forming a semiconductor device with increased latch-up immunity, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a semiconductor substrate:

forming a non-dopant region having a non-dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate; and

forming a dopant region having a dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate,
wherein said non-dopant region is within the dopant region and said non-dopant edge is
aligned in spaced relation away from the dopant edge; and
wherein said non-dopant region is formed under a shallow trench isolation.

9. (Currently Amended) The A method of claim 1, for forming a semiconductor device with increased latch-up immunity, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a semiconductor substrate;

forming a non-dopant region having a non-dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate; and

forming a dopant region having a dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate,
wherein said non-dopant region is within the dopant region and said non-dopant edge is

aligned in spaced relation away from the dopant edge; and

wherein said non-dopant region suppresses diffusion of dopant near the dopant edge.

10. (Currently Amended) The A method of claim 1, for forming a semiconductor device with increased latch-up immunity, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a semiconductor substrate:

forming a non-dopant region having a non-dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate; and

forming a dopant region having a dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate,
wherein said non-dopant region is within the dopant region and said non-dopant edge is
aligned in spaced relation away from the dopant edge; and

wherein said non-dopant region comprises a Group IV element.

- 11. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein said Group IV element comprises carbon.
- 12. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein said carbon has a concentration of about 2E20/cm3.

13. (Currently Amended) The A method of claim 1, for forming a semiconductor device with increased latch-up immunity, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a semiconductor substrate;

forming a non-dopant region having a non-dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate; and

forming a dopant region having a dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate.

wherein said non-dopant region is within the dopant region and said non-dopant edge is

aligned in spaced relation away from the dopant edge; and

wherein the dopant region comprises an N type well.

- 14. (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein the N type well comprises phosphorous.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The A method of claim 1, for forming a semiconductor device with increased latch-up immunity, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a semiconductor substrate;

forming a non-dopant region having a non-dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate; and

forming a dopant region having a dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate,
wherein said non-dopant region is within the dopant region and said non-dopant edge is
aligned in spaced relation away from the dopant edge; and

wherein the dopant region comprises a P type well.

- 16. (Original) The method of claim 15, wherein the P type well comprises boron.
- 17. (Currently Amended) The A method of claim 1; for forming a semiconductor device with increased latch-up immunity, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a semiconductor substrate:

forming a non-dopant region having a non-dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate: and

forming a dopant region having a dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate.

wherein said non-dopant region is within the dopant region and said non-dopant edge is aligned in spaced relation away from the dopant edge; and

wherein said non-dopant edge is from about 500 Angstroms to about 1500 Angstroms away from the dopant edge.

18. (Currently Amended) The A method of claim 1, for forming a semiconductor device with increased latch-up immunity, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a semiconductor substrate;

forming a non-dopant region having a non-dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate; and

forming a dopant region having a dopant edge in the semiconductor substrate.

wherein said non-dopant region is within the dopant region and said non-dopant edge is

aligned in spaced relation away from the dopant edge; and

wherein the step of forming a dopant region comprises ion implanting at an angle substantially normal to the semiconductor substrate.

- 19. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein after the step of patterning the hybrid photoresist layer to form a first opening, forming a second dopant region in the semiconductor substrate through the first opening, the second dopant region having a second dopant edge aligned with the first edge.
- 20. (Original) The method of claim 19, wherein said non-dopant region is within the second dopant region.
- 21. (Original) The method of claim 19, wherein said non-dopant edge is aligned in spaced relation away from the second dopant edge.
 - 22. (Withdrawn) A structure comprising:
 - a substrate including a shallow trench isolation:
 - a dopant region having a first edge under the shallow trench isolation; and

a non-dopant region having a second edge aligned in spaced relation away from the first edge, and wherein said non-dopant region is within the dopant region for suppressing dopant diffusion near the first edge.

- 23. (Withrawn) The structure of claim 22, wherein said non-dopant region is under a portion of the shallow trench isolation.
- 24. (Withdrawn) The structure of claim 22, wherein said non-dopant region comprises a Group IV element.
- 25. (Withdrawn) The structure of claim 24, wherein said Group IV element comprises carbon.
- 26. (Withdrawn) The structure of claim 22, wheerin the dopant region comprises an N type well.
- 27. (Withdrawn) The structure of claim 26, wheerin the N type well comprises phosphorous.
 - 28. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 22, wherein the dopant region comprises a P type

well.

- 29. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 28, wherein the P type well comprises boron.
- 30. (Withdrawn) The structure of claim 22, further comprising a second dopant region having a second edge aligned with the first edge, and wherein the second dopant region is within the first dopant region.
- 31. (Withdrawn) The structure of claim 30, wherein said non-dopant region is within the second dopant region.
- 32. (Withdrawn) The structure of claim 22, wherein said second edge is from about 500 Angstroms to about 1500 Angstroms away from said first edge.